

# St. Therese of the Child Jesus School

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## THE THERESE TIMES

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*A Prayer of Thanksgiving*

*We thank You good Father for Your abundant gifts;  
For food and drink in plenty.  
For freedom to think and pray,  
to run, to dance.*

*Mostly we thank You for Your love,  
for thinking of us,  
for making us Your own.*

*We ask Your blessing this day  
on our loved ones near and far,  
on all who yearn for peace,  
on all who are in need.*

*May Your abundance teach us to give,  
your reaching out teach us to care,  
your universal love teach us to see  
so that we may be one.*

*Amen*



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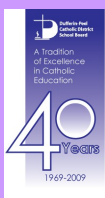
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W. Urac	4
M. Mills	4
J. Donnelly	5
S. Kasza	5/6
K. Silva	6
R. Jusys	7
J. Bortolotto	7
S. Murray	8
M. Timpano-Cetra	8
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S. Smith	SERT
A. DaCosta	Art
J. Trinca	French
J. Mamolo	French
E. Pugliese	French
S. Pires	5EF
J. Trinca/L. Austin	5EF
G. Langfeld	6EF
M. Ramlogan	6EF
D. Knapp	7EF
R. Jusys	7EF
M. Goetz	8EF
T. Singh	8EF
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M. Williamson	Assistant Secretary
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### STAFF—SPECIAL SERVICES

Special Services staff provide resources to the school for a variety of services. We are pleased to have available the following personnel:

<b>Speech Language</b>	M. Montini
<b>Social Work</b>	D. Thompson
<b>Psychology</b>	Rose Jardine
<b>CYW</b>	B. Rivers

(Child & Youth Worker)

### This month's virtue is Empathy....

#### People of Empathy....

- Can understand and name their feelings
- Care about others feelings
- Listen carefully to others
- Listen for clues in tone of voice
- Watch expressions and body gestures for messages
- Notice when someone is upset
- Can see and respect how others look at things
- Know that others may feel differently about things than they do
- Respond generously to help others

### AROUND THE SCHOOL

#### Welcome

A warm welcome to two teachers who are new to St. Therese, Mrs. Urac, who is in a grade four assignment, and Mlle Goetz, who is covering Mme Markic's Grade 8 EF class.

It's our pleasure to welcome Mrs. Spadafina, Mrs. Silva and Mrs. Timpano-Cetra back from their maternity leaves. We wish their children joy and good health.

Congratulations also to newlyweds Mrs. Kasza (formerly Ribeira) and Mrs. Zeehuisen (formerly Dorner).

### FAITH COMMUNITY

#### Parish News

St. John of the Cross Church  
6890 Glen Erin Drive, Mississauga

905 821-1331

#### Reconciliation and First Communion

Students in grade 2 and up are invited to the parish preparation program for Reconciliation and First Holy Communion. Please note the following dates:

Final Mtg. for reg.	Sun. Oct. 13- 7:00 p.m.
Reconciliation Mtg.	Sun. Oct. 13 - 7:30 p.m.
Reconciliation	Tues. Nov. 16 - 7:00 p.m.

Reconciliation Thurs. Nov. 18 - 7:00 p.m.  
 Reconciliation Tues. Nov. 23 - 7:00 p.m.  
 First Communion Par. Mtg. Sun. Jan. 16 - 3:00 p.m.  
 First Communion Par. Mtg. Tue. Jan. 18 - 7:00 p.m.  
 Enrolment Feb. 5 & 6 - all masses  
 Enrolment Feb. 12 & 13 - all masses  
 FIRST COMMUNIONS April 30 - May 22nd - all masses

**Confirmation**

Students in grade eight are invited to join the parish preparation program for Confirmation. The schools will continue to do the initial preparation in the religion classes, but immediate preparation will take place in the parish. Information meetings for **parents and candidates** to learn about the preparation process at St. John of the Cross Parish were held at the church in September and continue in October.

Parent/Candidate Mtg. Thurs., Oct. 7—7:30 p.m.  
 Parent/Sponsor/Cand. Mtg. Sun. Oct. 17—7:30 p.m.  
 Parent/Sponsor/Cand. Mtg. Tues. Oct. 19—7:30 p.m.  
 Parent/Sponsor/Cand. Mtg. Tues. Oct. 26 - 7:30 p.m.  
 Rite of Enrolment Nov. 6 & 7—All masses  
 Rite of Enrolment Nov. 13-14—All masses  
 Retreat & Reconciliation Sat. Feb. 12 —9:30-12:15  
 Retreat & Reconciliation Sat. Feb. 19—9:30—12:15  
 Retreat & Reconciliation Sat. Feb. 26—9:30- 12:15  
 Retreat & Reconciliation Sat. Mar. 5—9:30—12:15  
 Rehearsals Thurs. May 5- 7:30 p.m.  
**Confirmation Sat. May 7—10:00 a.m.**  
 Rehearsals Thurs., May 5—8:30 p.m.  
**Confirmation Sat. May 14—10:00 a.m.**  
 Rehearsals Tue. May 24 - 7:30 p.m.  
**Confirmation Sat. May 28—10:00 a.m.**  
 Rehearsals Tue. May 24—8:30 p.m.  
**Confirmation Sat. June 4—10:00 a.m.**

Please note that students do not celebrate sacraments 'automatically' because they are in a particular grade. Registration for all sacraments takes place at meetings at the church.



**Grade 8 Ottawa Trip  
 Parent information meeting on October 20  
 At 7:00 p.m.**

**New Report Cards and Practices**

In May 2010, the Ontario Ministry of Education released *Growing Success*, a new policy document which addresses assessment, evaluation, and reporting of student achievement. This document outlines changes to the reporting process which includes a new Elementary Progress Report Card to replace the previous first term report card. Report cards will now be sent home, as follows:

- One Elementary Progress Report Card to be issued between Oct. 20 and Nov. 20
- Two Elementary Provincial Report Cards (revised), one to be issued between January and February and one to be issued towards the end of June.

In Dufferin-Peel, the new Elementary Progress Report Card will be going home on Nov. 2, 2010 to 'show a student's development of the learning skills and work habits during the fall of the school year, as well as a student's general progress in working towards the achievement of the curriculum.' (See insert for more information)

**Progress Report**

With the release of the **Growing Success (2010)** ministry document, a number of changes have resulted to reporting practices in elementary schools. The new elementary Progress Report Card will be sent home on November 2, 2010. The elementary Provincial Report Card will be sent home on February 1, 2011 and June 28, 2011. Please read the attached insert for more details concerning the different reporting practices and how reporting will appear on the new progress report card.

**Thanksgiving Food Drive**

The annual Thanksgiving Food Drive for St. Vincent de Paul is underway. Thank you to Mrs. Zeehuisen, Mrs. Kasza, and Mrs. DaCosta for organizing the collection of canned foods for needy families in our community. This year we are making an extra effort to help replenish food bank shelves, which are emptier than usual. The final day for donations is Friday, October 8.





**School Picture Re-take Day**

Edge Imaging will be at St. Therese of the Child Jesus for re-takes on **Tuesday, November 16, 2010**. Any student who missed picture day can have their picture taken on this day.

**Scent Awareness**

While the Board does not have a formal Scent Awareness Policy we ask for your co-operation. As you can appreciate there are children and adults who are sensitive and may be allergic to scents and fragrances. It would be appreciated if students and parents could reduce their use of these strongly scented perfume and deodorant type products in the school building. Thanks.

**PALS—Playground Leaders**

The Playground Leaders are once again inviting all Grades 1 to 4 students to join them in some organized fun during lunch recesses. This year, the PALS leaders are Netanya A., Adele C., Alicia K., Natalia L., Monique T., Kaitlyn P., Merit A., Sienna D., Matteo M., Elliza J., Gabriel T., Abigail F., Alessia Z., Jessica K., Jocelyn C., Chloe K., Jeantel A., Vanessa B., Chloe S., Kacey W., Kenny R., and Noah C.

Thank you to Mrs. Firhoj and Mme Trinca for organizing this initiative.

**Terry Fox**

The St. Therese of the Child Jesus Community has once again been awesome in their generosity. On Thursday, September 30, students, staff and parents enthusiastically participated in our annual Terry Fox Walk/Run. A final tally of donations is still being calculated as additional pledges are being submitted this week, but early indications show donations in excess of \$4700.00. This is very impressive! A huge thank you goes out to everyone!! Special thanks to Ms. Donnelly for co-ordinating this initiative and to Mrs. Bernt, parent volunteer for collecting money every day.

**Hallowe'en Dance-a-thon**

On Thursday, October 28, we are holding a dance-a-thon in the gym. Throughout the day, all JK to grade 8 students will come to the gym to dance. Please ensure all costumes are age and Catholic school-appropriate, that there are no masks or props, and that any makeup used is applied at home. Parents are welcome to join us!

9:15-9:45a.m.	JK/SK
9:45-10:45a.m.	Gr. 1, 2, 3, 4,
11a.m.-12p.m.	Gr. 5 & 6
1:15-1:45p.m.	JK/SK
1:45-3:40p.m.	Gr. 7 & 8

The official kick-off assembly for this event is Oct. 6. Each family will receive a pledge form. As per board policy, door-to-door canvassing and public solicitation is not allowed. Asking relatives, friends, neighbours, teams, clubs, and parents' coworkers is suggested.

Prizes will be awarded for top pledges. If you are able to donate any prizes for our fundraiser, please contact our fundraising chairs, Mrs. Haley or Mrs. Gordon.

To reach this year's goal of \$10,000, we challenge each family to raise at least \$25.00 for this event. We hope to raise enough money to upgrade and retro-fit all classrooms with 'whiteboards' versus the current chalkboards. This will assist to address allergenic and environmental cleanliness concerns. We will also continue to support numerous literacy, library, and religious education programs. Use your handy pen bracelet to print your sponsor's information on the pledge-lop! For on-line donations, go to **www.pledge.me**. There is no extra charge for this fast and convenient service. Students are invited to go on-line and request their favourite hits at **www.musicrequest.ca** (Group name: sttherese).

Thank you to School Council for coordinating this exciting campaign.



### Additional Halloween Activities

Individual classes will communicate with parents about any special Halloween activities planned. Please remember many of our students have life threatening allergies to nuts and nut byproducts. No treats with nuts will be allowed into the classrooms. Any edible treats must have a list of ingredients available. If you are considering sending treats to school with your child to share with their class, it is recommended non-edible items be sent instead (i.e. stickers, etc.). Thanks!!

### Visitors to the School

For safety's sake, please respect school protocol for school visits. All parents, volunteers, and other visitors must sign in at the office and inform the office of the purpose of the visit. Meetings with teachers must be scheduled in advance outside of instructional time. No drop-ins, please.

### Black Creek Pioneer Village Trip

We wish the Grade 3's a fun day of learning — with agreeable weather — when they go to Black Creek on Oct. 6.

### Indoor / Outdoor Shoes

All students should have a pair of indoor shoes to wear at school in class and for gym. Outdoor shoes/boots will be kept for outdoor use only and out of the classrooms in order to reduce the amount of dirt and mud brought indoors. This will assist Mr. Dias and staff in keeping the school clean. Thank you for your cooperation.

### School Council

The 2010-11 School Council members are:

<b>Co-Chairs</b>	I. Holmes & A. Hill
<b>Treasurer</b>	K. McElhone
<b>Secretary</b>	M. Portelli
<b>Principal</b>	T. DeClerico <b>VP:</b> M. Gibson
<b>Teacher Rep.</b>	L. Austin/ M. Ramlogan
<b>Non Teacher Rep.</b>	J. Lusk
<b>Parish Rep.</b>	J. Lobo
<b>Fundraising Co-Chairs</b>	A. Haley/M. Gordon
<b>OAPCE Rep.</b>	Patrick Mendes
<b>Parents at Large/Community Reps</b>	P. Lattimore, D. Wijesinghe

School Council Meetings are scheduled for Oct. 14, Nov. 23, Jan. 12, Feb. 17, Apr. 12 & May 18. All parents are welcome to attend. Meetings start at 7p.m., unless otherwise stated, and are held in the school library.

### Executive Catholic Youth Faith Ambassadors

Last year saw the first election of Executive Catholic Youth Faith Ambassadors, a revamped structure of student leadership from the former 'Student Council.' The students from Grade 7 and 8 will be running and voting for candidates that do many of the same things as a student council, but with an emphasis on activities that create a safe and positive school climate centred around Catholic values.

Last year we had students in Gr 6 to 8 fill out an application to be a faith ambassador and we are doing that again. The students will be involved in *head* (inform), *heart* (form), and *hands* (transform) leadership and outreach opportunities.

**The Youth Faith Ambassadors** will be involved with the safe schools initiative, virtues assemblies and other activities around the school. The executive will take the lead in all these various roles. We are attempting to demonstrate to the student body through the ambassadors' leadership initiative that one can have a strong faith and have fun. Students in grades 6 to 8 can still be very much a part of the program without taking a leadership role.



### Catholic Community Culture & Caring Action Team

The Catholic Community Culture & Caring Action Team (CCCCAT) is the new, Catholic version of the recently established Safe Schools Action Team. The purpose of a Safe Schools team is to establish an inclusive, safe school climate that will eliminate potential behavior and academic problems by getting to their roots. Establishing a climate where diversity is valued, the uniqueness of every individual is celebrated, and where discipline is progressive, is the CCCCCAT mandate. Youth and Adult Faith Ambassadors, and other volunteers, work with the CCCCCAT to create a school climate centred around Catholic values. The CCCCCAT consists of Mr. Murray, Ms. Austin, Ms. Donnelly, and Mr. Gibson.

Initiatives the Team is currently working on are the RAID drug awareness presentations (seven sessions beginning November 23) and an anti-bullying presentation by the Mixed Company Theatre (date TBA).

Thursday, Oct. 21      Away St. Albert of Jerus.

Girls' Team: Meghan C., Sofia M., Avril, Meghan G., Anya L., Christina S., Tiffany T., Taylor P., Cachet L.

**Continuing Ed Courses**

As you know, the Adult & Continuing Education program offers a wide variety of programs, including General Interest and International Language programs. Call the Adult & Continuing Education department at 905-891-9263 for further information.

Girls' Team Practices: Tuesdays/Thursdays 8:15-9:00am and Wednesdays/Fridays 12:20-1:00pm  
Girls' Season Schedule:

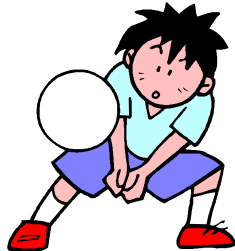
Tuesday, Oct. 12      Home St. Albert of Jerus.  
Monday, Oct. 18      Away St. John of the Cross  
Thursday, Oct. 21      Home St. Teresa of Avila

**International Language Classes**

Language ability is of growing importance in our international community! International Language classes are available Saturday mornings to students in grades JK to 8 (non-credit courses) and grades 9 to 12 (credit courses). No prior language experience is necessary. International Language programs comply with the Ministry of Education curriculum. Please contact the Adult & Continuing Education office at 905-891-9263 for information regarding language offerings at specific International Language sites. It's not too late to join.

Mississauga North Family Tournament: Oct. 28 at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel

Thanks to coaches J. Bortolotto, N. Zeehuisen, S. Kasza, and M. Goetz.



**Intermediate Volleyball Teams**

The Intermediate Boys' and Girls' Volleyball teams have completed try-outs. Congratulations to all the boys and girls who tried out.

Boys' Team: Tristan S.D., Anthyn S., Mitchell D., Nick D., Justin O., Philip A., Anthony B., Logan K., Robert S., Kyle D., Noah B., Linden L., Jonas K., Justin M., Dylan M., Matthew C., Damahli B., Matthew I.

Boys' Team Practices: Wednesdays/Thursdays 4:00-5:00pm and Mondays/Tuesdays/Fridays 12:20-12:55  
Boys' Season Schedule:

Wednesday, Oct. 13      Home St. Teresa of Avila  
Thursday, Oct. 15      Home St. John of the Cross  
Monday, Oct. 18      Away St. Richards



**Cross-Country Team is Off & Running!**

The team consists of the following students in grades five to eight: Weronica U., Estrella C., Jessica K., Natalie R., Anna P., Una-Grace W., Jillian R., Kelsey A., Chloe K., Kasia P., Dylan A., Gabriel T., David D., Michael M., Melissa O., Kaitlin L., Marilyn H., Laura G., Lanna L., MacKenzie D., Nikita P., Matthew F., Filip S., Jake H., Noah C., Connor D., Bradley H., Christopher Z., Lucas S., Dominic H., Natalia B., Liliane T., Isabel D., Megan C., Megan G., Ania S., Angela D., Sofia M., Mya P., Keira R., Victoria J., Connor P., Justin H., Matthew S., Matthew P., Matthew A., Eric M., Kieran C., Mathew F., Noah B., Matthew C., John-Raymond K., Ana Maria I., Katie H., Rebecca L., Shannon F., Avery Garrett P., Damahli B., Russell G., Saleem N., Rafael C., Matt M., Spencer, Joseph L., Reuel L., and Pierre R.

Thank you to the coaches: D. Knapp, K. Silva, and T. Spadafina. Good luck to all the participants at the Mississauga North Family Meet on Tuesday, October 19 at the Meadowvale Community Centre.



### Change in Dismissal or Lunch Routine

If your child is changing their routine for dismissal or lunch time, (i.e. they are not taking the bus or someone else is picking them up), please inform your child's teacher in writing. Older students can use their agendas and kindergarten parents can use a letter. It is too difficult to recall verbal instructions amidst the many bits of information processed during the school day. If it is in writing, the new routine can be addressed more effectively. Phone calls are also not the best way to communicate this information. Not only are there interruptions to important instructional time but often it is time consuming to locate a student who may be in the gym, library, computer lab or outdoors. Arrangements for dismissal and lunch time should be made in advance if possible. Emergencies are different and we will try to accommodate as best we can. Thank you for your cooperation.



### Lock Down & Fire Drills

During the month of September and October we have been rehearsing and will continue to rehearse with students a number of emergency response situations including lock down and fire drills. All schools are required by Board policy to practice these procedures throughout the year. We have these 'rehearsals' for precautionary purposes only so that in the event of an actual emergency, students will be prepared to respond in a safe and responsible manner. Our Lockdown drill date is October 21 (in the morning). The outer doors will be locked for the time of the drill, not allowing anyone to enter, and an emergency protocol will be followed. The day will continue as normal following the drill. Thank you for your patience.

### Pupil Progress

Parents and teachers are encouraged to contact each other immediately if there are problems or areas of concern. **Do not wait for interviews!** Please make an

appointment with your child's teacher to discuss any concerns.

### School Website

Make sure to visit our school website at <http://www.dpcdsb.org/TCHLD>. Newsletters and a variety of other school related information is posted monthly. Have a look!

### School Property

If you are driving your child to school, please use the Kiss and Ride program at the north side of the school and exit on the north side. The parking lot at the south side is for Kindergarten parents. Please be sure to honour the one way signs for student safety. Please do not use the front of the school as a drop off. It is a bus loading zone as well as a fire route. There are 30 minute parking spaces at the front of our school for your convenience if you need to come in for an appointment. During inclement weather, the Kiss and Ride area for drop off is ideal. There is a door for students to enter close to the drop off zone. Your cooperation is greatly appreciated. Safety is our utmost concern.

### Pediculosis

Although it may seem early in the school year, we would like to bring to your attention a problem which occurs from time to time in each school. This problem is an infestation of head lice also known as pediculosis. Pediculosis is in no way connected with poor hygiene or dirt. Anyone can become infested. In order to control these pests we will follow these procedures and request your full cooperation and understanding. If cases are found in the classroom, we shall inform the parents of that class. We would ask that you check your children's hair and if you find it to be infested, please notify the school and we will advise as to the appropriate treatment. If a child is infested he/she will be kept out of school until they have been treated with the correct shampoo and their hair is entirely clear of both lice and nits (eggs). Information on head lice may also be obtained from your family doctor or pharmacist.



### Dogs on School Property

Please do not bring your dogs, or other pets, onto school property. Even if on a leash and normally passive/friendly, your pet may respond in an unexpected manner if surrounded by a large group of curious children. While most of us are pet lovers, some youngsters are frightened by animals and may get nervous or anxious when approached by one. Also, other children in our community suffer from allergies that are often triggered by pet fur or pet dander. Your cooperation in this matter is appreciated.

### Leaving School Property at Lunch Time

Please note that at recess (a.m. & p.m.) no student is permitted to leave the school grounds at any time. At lunch time the expectation is that all students in grade 1 to 6 stay at school for lunch unless they have written permission from their parents stating otherwise. Parents must sign their child out and in when taking them for lunch. In grades 7 & 8 some parents checked the "No" option on the annual permission form. Please remember, if you have given your child blanket permission to leave the school property at lunch time, or give them specific permission in writing on individual days to leave school property at lunch time, the school cannot assume responsibility for their supervision once off school grounds. Some intermediate students choose to go to the plaza at the corner of Forest Park and Derry for lunch, necessitating that they cross a very busy intersection. Safety tips have been reviewed with the Grade 7 & 8's so that they can remain alert and safe while off school property. Your help in reviewing your lunch hour expectations with your children and discussing safety issues would be helpful.

### Student Dress Code

The Board's Appropriate Dress Code Policy charges all schools, within the jurisdiction of the Dufferin-Peel C.D.S.B., to adopt a dress code for students, which is in keeping with the Board's Mission Statement and Catholic social teachings. Students are expected to dress in a manner suitable for the occasion and appropriate to the school environment.

Clothing which portrays any unsuitable or offensive logos and/or language will not be permitted. Proper footwear must be worn at all times i.e. Running shoes for gym, indoor shoes for class, boots for rain and snow. It is unsafe for students to walk around in socks or bare feet. Hats and sunglasses should be

removed upon entering the building. The use of make up is discouraged and, if worn at all, be natural looking. Student dress code expectations were reviewed with all students at Behaviour Assemblies held the first week of school. Your support in encouraging compliance is much appreciated.



### Looking Ahead to November

As you are well aware, November is traditionally the month we remember all those who have defended freedom in our country and around the world. We will have our annual Remembrance Day Assemblies on Wednesday, November 11. If you have a parent, grandparent or great grandparent who is a war vet and who might be available to join us at St. Therese on November 11 please contact Ms DeClerico for more information. In addition, we will continue the tradition of displaying the St. Therese of the Child School **'Memory Book' in the front foyer**. Students and their parents are invited to submit stories and pictures of themselves, relatives and/or friends who have been touched by war or participated in war. Submissions can be brief and are best if accompanied with a photograph.

**HAVE YOU RETURNED YOUR CHILD'S UPDATED STUDENT VERIFICATION FORM? Please ensure we have accurate and up-to-date contact information. We must have a number that is available during the day to contact you in case of emergency. Please give alternate numbers of someone you trust (i.e. other family member, neighbour, babysitter) in case you are not available for a call. We should have a minimum of 3 numbers.**



### **HOLY ROSARY APOSTOLATE**

The Holy Rosary Apostolate in the Schools program was initiated by Sister Marilina Cinelli C.P. and the directors of the Rosary Apostolate. The Archdiocese of Toronto lends its full support to this program ministered by a group of volunteers. Love and reverence for the Mother of God and teaching students how to pray the Holy Rosary constitutes an essential part of Christian formation. The Rosary Apostolate in the Schools strives to fulfill this essential need. Once a month, from the month of October to May, the Rosary Apostolate will visit every classroom in our school. All the volunteers have had a criminal reference check conducted as required by the Ontario Government. All volunteers are given proper training and all presentations have been approved by the Archdiocese of Toronto. In May, there will be a conclusion with a Marian celebration. The visits will be from 15 to 20 minutes for SK to Gr. 3 students and 45 minutes for Gr. 4-8 students

### **Babysitting Course**

We have the opportunity for our students to participate in a Canadian Red Cross babysitting course for anyone who is 11 years of age and up. A letter will be distributed soon with more details and information about this workshop that includes everything from first aid to safety tips and responsibilities of a good babysitter. Please look for this information to come. The workshop will take place in November.

### **Kids Safety First At Home All By Myself Course**

Canadian Red Cross First Aid Course for kids Gr. 4 and 5 called "People Saver" level 3 combined with Kids Safety First; At Home Alone By Myself Workshop will be offered at St. Therese once again this year. The lessons will be taught by a Canadian Red Cross First Aid Instructor. More information as to date and cost will be in a letter soon to come. This course will take place over five weeks beginning in November and ending in December. Please watch for this letter coming home soon if your child is in Gr. 4 or 5.

### **Calendar of Events**

- October 5**—World Teacher's Day Tell your teacher how much you appreciate her/him.
- October 6**—Kick off Assembly for our Halloween Dance-a-thon.
- October 11**—Thanksgiving—no school
- October 13**—7:00 Registration and Reconciliation Mtg. St. John of the Cross Church
- October 14**—School Council Mtg. 7:00 p.m. library
- October 7**—Confirmation -Parent/Candidate Meeting 7:30 p.m.
- October 17/19/26**—Parent/sponsor/candidate mtg. 7:30 p.m.
- October 20**—Grade 8 Ottawa Trip Info meeting at 7:00 p.m.
- October 22**, - Grade 7 Meningitis Clinic
- October 28**—Halloween dance-a-thon
- November 2**—Progress report sent home
- November 6**—School Council Executive Training Day
- November 11**—Remembrance Day, regular school day
- November 16**—Picture Retake Day
- November 26**- PA Day—no school for students